

Bradford Island
Bradford Island Updates and Technical Discussions
25 August 2022; 1500 – 1600

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| | Pre-Meeting Agenda & Invitees |
| X | Post-Meeting Minutes & Participants |

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| X | Chris Budai (USACE) | X | Kathleen Peshek (EPA) |
| X | Dan Carlson (USACE) | X | Laura Knudsen (EPA) |
| X | Bill Gardiner (USACE) | X | Andy Smith (Ecology) |
| | Kristen Kerns (USACE) | X | Rebecca Lawson (Ecology) |
| X | Helen Bottcher (EPA) | X | Jennifer Peterson (DEQ) |
| X | Richard Francis (EPA) | X | Mike Poulsen (DEQ) |
| X | Tim Maley (EPA) | X | Heidi Nelson (DEQ) |

Introductions

Chris – USACE PM for Bradford Island project, Portland district

Dan – USACE Physical scientist, Bradford Island technical lead, Seattle district

Bill – USACE Risk Assessor, Seattle district

Helen – EPA RPM

Rich – 2nd EPA RPM

Laura – EPA Community Involvement Coordinator

Tim Maley – EPA Hydrogeologist out of Seattle office, projecting technical support

Kathleen Peshek – EPA Environmental engineer working as a hydrogeologist on this project

Mike Poulsen – DEQ PM

Heidi – DEQ Project engineer

Jennifer – DEQ Ecological risk assessor

Rebecca Lawson – Manage SW region of Ecology’s toxic cleanup program, which includes this area. Have been involved with this site for 15-20 years.

Andy Smith – Unit supervisor in Rebecca’s section. Currently there is not a dedicated Ecology site manager for this project

1. Community Outreach Update

- a. Chris – We’re planning another public meeting. OHA will be presenting on the fish advisories. Our contractor is putting together a community interview report and we’ll be acting on putting together a CAG if there is sufficient interest, which there seems to be. The CAG will be the forum for USACE to provide information to everyone. USACE will attend the meetings and provide updates. The CAG replaces the former TAG so we’re compliant with FACA.
- b. Helen – Columbia Riverkeepers asked us to participate in a webinar they’re having at the end of Sept. to talk w/ community about the NPL listing and what it means. Either Sept 28 or 29. EPA said they would participate if USACE was invited. They were given Chris’s contact information.

- c. Chris – I haven't heard from them. We're also planning another public meeting. It would be good to work together with them.
 - d. Helen – It's one of three workshops they are planning. The 2nd and 3rd will be on fishing advisories and tribal fishing rights.
 - e. Laura – Yakama Nation may also speak at those meetings.
 - f. Dan – USACE's contractor Balcom Environmental will be providing a Community Interview Report to USACE by September 16, 2022. That will help form the basis on if there is sufficient interest for a CAG. Balcom Environmental will provide an updated Community Involvement Plan by October 16, 2022.
 - g. Chris – Does EPA recommend more than 30 days of notice for announcing a public meeting?
 - h. Laura – More notice is typically better.
 - i. Chris – We're finding some members of the public aren't informed of the fish advisories.
 - j. Helen – Colombia River Keeper specifically said they think signage is needed in Spanish and also that there was a European population that doesn't speak English and may not be informed.
 - k. Chris – We're heard the same. It's Russian. Need to strategize on posting signage.
 - l. DEQ asks about a forum to speak with USACE outside of CAG. USACE explained that these meetings with regulators will continue in addition to CAG meetings.
 - m. Mike – OHA can help with the design of the fish advisory signs and serve as a liaison. We've worked with Todd Hudson before.
 - n. EPA and WA DOE discussed contacts for USACE to reach out to about collaborating on the community workshops and providing fish advisory information. Dave McBride was a contact from the health department, but he has retired. Rebecca will provide a new POC from the health department.
 - o. Bill – Two different meetings over two different platforms could help spread the word.
 - p. Laura – CAG update. We checked in with EPA HQ. USACE and EPA could consult with them on CAG formation and best practices.
 - q. Discussion on the draft Community Involvement Plan and ensuring EPA will be able to review it and provide support.
2. Current work activities
- a. A letter from USACE attorneys to regulator attorneys is in review and will be released soon. It includes a list of the ongoing work products being produced, their contents, and estimate timelines until completion. The ongoing work activities discussed are listed below in order of priority:
 - i. Updated Smallmouth Bass, Crayfish, and Clam Data Report, River Operable Unit, Bradford Island, Cascade Locks, Oregon. Original: October 2021.
 - 1. Contains updated data from ERDC and 209 congener data sets from Eurofins.
 - 2. Updated report will be released to DEQ OHA and also uploaded to the Admin Record for public download once complete.
 - 3. Estimated timeline for completion in September 2022.
 - ii. Stormwater and Catch Basin Solids Report and Best Management Practices Evaluation, Sandblast AOPC, Bradford Island, Cascade Locks, Oregon
 - 1. USACE completing response to comments and finalizing report.
 - 2. Estimated timeline for completion in September 2022.
 - iii. Sandblast AOPC Soil Sampling Data Analysis

1. Includes statistical analysis of analytical results.
 2. Estimated timeline for completion in November 2022.
 - iv. ADDENDUM 2: Supplemental Exposure Scenario for Baseline Human Health and Ecological Risk Assessment, Upland Operable Unit, Bradford Island, Cascade Locks, Oregon
 1. Updates the 4-hour exposure transiting scenario to a 12-hour exposure scenario.
 2. Estimated timeline for completion in October 2022.
 - v. Groundwater Sampling Field and Data Report, Upland Operable Unit, Bradford Island, Cascade Locks, Oregon
 1. Contains validated data from groundwater data from March and April 2022 sampling events.
 2. Estimated timeline for completion in November 2022.
 - vi. 2020 Smallmouth Bass, Crayfish, and Clams Analysis Report, River Operable Unit, Bradford Island, Cascade Locks, Oregon
 1. May be combined with 2022 tissue analysis report.
 2. Estimated timeline for completion in Spring 2023
 - vii. 2022 Smallmouth Bass Analysis Report, River Operable Unit, Bradford Island, Cascade Locks, Oregon
 1. May be combined with 2020 tissue analysis report.
 2. Estimated timeline for completion in Spring 2023
 - viii. Passive Sampling Report River Operable Unit, Bradford Island, Cascade Locks, Oregon
 1. Less priority than other reports.
 2. Estimated timeline for completion later in 2023.
 - b. EPA and DEQ requested that any additional passive sampling data be released sooner. USACE to confirm status of any additional data not already provided.
3. 2020/2022 Fish data update
 - a. Status was previously discussed.
4. Other
 - a. The River OU contract was awarded. Bryce Environmental is the contractor and they're working with AECOM, HGL, and Gravity. The River OU work will fill data gaps in the River. USACE intends to move forward with this work while the FFA is negotiated.